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A newsletter for Region 1—WorkOne associates & partners

## Working as One

### WorkOne Assists Union Tank

Helping others is what we do! WorkOne staff recently spent several weeks working with Union Tank employees who have been notified that they will be closing their doors in Northwest Indiana. From Rapid Response to personal assistance with resume writing, our WorkOne teams have been busy. Facilitating job fairs, like the one held in East Chicago, drew many employers and offered the Union Tank employees an opportunity to meet and learn about other opportunities that are available for them with regards to employment.

You are all to be commended for your assistance during the Union Tank closure and employee transition efforts!

### Why Not Go Casual on May 23rd?

WorkOne-Region 1 associates and partners will have an opportunity to dress down on Friday, May 23rd if they contribute \$3.00 for the national Relay for Life Campaign.

Each year, this signature activity through the American Cancer Society, brings together more than 3.5 million people to celebrate the life of those who have battled cancer, those who lost the battle and those survivors, who inspire us.



Thanks to Audra Pancek from the La Porte WorkOne, who suggested the casual day to help raise some funds for this very worthy cause!

So, if you are interested in dressing casually on Friday, May 23rd, approach your functional supervisor with your \$3.00 contribution which will be donated to the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life initia-

### Provide More Than They Ask For!

Sandra Alvarez, local WorkKeys® and TAG consultant has been busy visiting employers to introduce them to the WorkKeys® and TAG opportunities.

Although the response has been positive, many have indicated they were unaware that such services were available to them through the WorkOne.

It's always a great idea, when speaking to an employer, to offer more than they are asking for. In other words, spread the word. Tell them that there's a wonderful tool called WorkKeys® that could help advance their workforce. Share information about the "free money" the Training Accelerator Grants (TAG) provide for employee training.

Or...simply provide them with Sandra's phone number or email so they could get the scoop on these two, no-cost services that could help their bottom line!

Sandra's telephone number is 219-204-2856 or email at [salvarez@innovativeworkforce.com](mailto:salvarez@innovativeworkforce.com)

### WorkOne Display Boards Available for Events

There are two display boards available for use of the WorkOne offices at job/career fairs, business expos, etc. They are easy to set up, manageable, and come with a carrying case.

If you are representing WorkOne at an event and a display could be set up, be sure to contact Regional Operator staff members Barb Grimsgard or Gail White at the Center of Workforce Innovations about using one of the displays. Boards can be customized with panels based on the target audience.

Barb or Gail could be reached at 219-462-2940 or at [bgrimsgard@innovativeworkforce.com](mailto:bgrimsgard@innovativeworkforce.com) or